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- 1. AS YOU ARE AWARE, UN SYG WALDHEIM HAS UNDERTAKEN AN "EMERGENCY OPERATION" AIMED AT MEETING URGENT NEEDS OF SELECTED LDCS CAUSED BY RISE IN PRICE OF OIL, FOOD AND OTHER ESSENTIAL IMPORTS. FOLLOWING PROVIDED FOR YOUR BACKGROUND AND USE YOU DEEM APPROPRIATE.
- 2. SECRETARY GENERAL HAS, UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY LAST MAY, BEEN ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN AN EMERGENCY OPERATION TO MAINTAIN UNIMPAIRED THE ESSENTIAL IMPORTS OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED BY THE CURRENT ECONOMIC LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SITUATION. THE RESULTS TO DATE OF THIS PROGRAM ARE BEING

CONSIDERED PRESENTLY BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. WALDHEIM HAS APPOINTED A SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE, DR. PREBISCH (WHO WE UNDERSTAND INVITED BY BOERMA TO FAO CONSULTATION), TO DEVOTE HIS FULL ENERGIES TO THIS TASK. PREBISCH HAS CALLED TWO MEETINGS OF DONORS AND POTENTIAL DONORS, THE SECOND AT THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL AND HAS OPENED AN ACCOUNT TO SERVE AS A CHANNEL FOR THE RAPID PROVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WHERE ESTABLISHED PROGRAMS ARE

INSUFFICIENT. USG HAS INFORMED PREBISCH THAT IT PLANS, SUBJECT TO CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL, TO PROVIDE DOLLARS I BILLION IN ASSISTANCE TO THE COUNTRIES INCLUDED ON THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S PROVISIONAL LIST OF THE MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED DURING THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, WHICH ENDS JULY 1, 1975. THIS AID WILL BE PROVIDED THROUGH ESTABLISHED CHANNELS. THE BULK OF IT WILL BE IN THE FORM OF GRANTS, FOOD AID AND DEBT RELIEF, AND THUS WILL BE RAPIDLY AVAILABLE TO ALLEVIATE THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS NEEDS OF THE RECEIVING COUNTRY. NOTE THAT WE DO NOT PROPOSE CHANNEL ANY US ASSISTANCE TO MSA'S THROUGH UN ITSELF. INGERSOLL

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